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**SOLICITOUS.** *adj.* [*solicitus*, Latin.] Anxious; careful; concerned. It has commonly about before that which causes anxiety; sometimes *for* or *of*. *For* is proper before something to be obtained.

Our hearts are pure, when we are not *solicitous* of the opinion and censures of men, but only that we do our duty. *Taylor*.  
Enjoy the present, whatsoever it be, and be not *solicitous* for the future. *Taylor's Rule of living holy*.

The colonel had been intent upon other things, and not enough *solicitous* to finish the fortifications. *Clarendon*.

In providing money for disbanding the armies, upon which they were marvelously *solicitous*, there arose a question. *Clarendon*.

They who were in truth zealous for the preservation of the laws, were *solicitous* to preserve the king's honour from any indignity, and his regal power from violation. *Clarendon*.

Laud attended on his majesty, which he would have been excused from, if that design had not been in view, to accomplish which he was *solicitous* for his advice. *Clarendon*.

There kept their watch the legions, while the grand

In council sat, *solicitous* what chance

Might intercept their emperor's sent. *Milton's Par. Lost*.

Without sign of boast, or sign of joy,

*Solicitus* and blank, he thus began. *Milton's Par. Reg.*

No man is *solicitous* about the event of that which he has in his power to dispose of. *South's Sermons*.

You have not only been careful of my fortune, the effect of your nobleness, but you have been *solicitous* of my reputation, which is that of your kindness. *Dryden*.

The tender dame, *solicitous* to know

Whether her child should reach old age or no,

Consults the sage Tiresias. *Addison*.

**SOLICITOUSLY.** *adv.* [*from solicitous*.] Anxiously; carefully.

The medical art being conversant about the health and life of man, doctrinal errors in it are to be *solicitously* avoided. *Boyle*.

He would surely have as *solicitously* promoted their learning, as ever he obstructed it. *Deacy of Pirry*.

**SOLITUDE.** *n. f.* [*solitudo*, Latin.] Anxiety; carefulness.

In this, by comparison, we behold the many cares and great labours of worldly men, their *solitude* and outward shews, and publick ostentation, their pride, and vanities. *Raleigh*.

If they would but provide for eternity with the same *solitude*, and real care, as they do for this life, they could not fail of heaven. *Tillotson's Sermons*.

They are to be known by a wonderful *solitude* for the reputation of their friends. *Tatler*.

**SOLITRESS.** *n. f.* [*Feminine of solitor*.] A woman who petitions for another.

I had the most earnest *solitress*, as well as the fairest; and nothing could be refused to my lady Hyde. *Dryden*.

**SOLID.** *adj.* [*solidus*, Latin; *solide*, French.]

1. Not liquid; not fluid.

Land that ever burn'd

With *solid*, as the lake with liquid fire. *Milton*.

2. Not hollow; full of matter; compact; dense.

I hear his thundering voice rebound,

And trampling feet that shake the *solid* ground. *Dryden*.

3. Having all the geometrical dimensions.

In a *solid* foot are 1728 *solid* inches, weighing 76 pound of rain water. *Arbutnot on Coins*.

4. Strong; firm.

The duke's new palace is a noble pile built after this manner, which makes it look very *solid* and majestic. *Addison*.

5. Sound; not weakly.

If persons devote themselves to science, they should be well assured of a *solid* and strong constitution of body, to bear the fatigue. *Watt's Improvement of the Mind*.

6. Real; not empty; true; not fallacious.

This might satisfy sober and wise men, not with soft and specious words, but with pregnant and *solid* reasons. *K. Charles*.

The earth may of *solid* good contain

More plenty than the sun. *Milton*.

7. Not light; not superficial; grave; profound.

These, wanting wit, affect gravity, and go by the name of *solid* men; and a *solid* man is, in plain English, a *solid* solemn fool. *Dryden*.

**SOLID.** *n. f.* [*In physics*.] The part containing the fluids.

The first and most simple *solids* of our body are perhaps merely terrestrial, and incapable of any change or disuse. *Arb.*

**SOLIDITY.** *n. f.* [*soliditas*, Fr. *soliditas*, Lat. from *solidus*.]

1. Firmness of matter; not hollowiness.

2. Firmness; hardness; compactness; density.

That which hinders the approach of two bodies, when they are moving one towards another, I call *solidity*. *Locke*.

The stone itself, whether naked or invested with earth, is not by its *solidity* secured, but washed down. *Woodward*.

3. Truth; not fallaciousness; intellectual strength; certainty.

The most known rules are placed in so beautiful a light, that they have all the graces of novelty; and make the reader, who was before acquainted with them, still more convinced of their truth and *solidity*. *Addison's Spectator*.

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His fellow-peers have attended to his eloquence, and have been convinced by the *solidity* of his reasoning. *Prior*.

**SOLIDLY.** *adv.* [*from solid*.]

1. Firmly; densely; compactly.

2. Truly; on good grounds.

A complete brave man ought to know *solidly* the main end he is in the world for. *Dispy*.

I look upon this as a sufficient ground for any rational man to take up his religion upon, and which I defy the subtlest atheist in the world *solidly* to answer; namely, that it is good to be true. *South*.

**SOLIDNESS.** *n. f.* [*from solid*.] Solidity; firmness; density.

It beareth misfortune: the cause may be the closeness and *solidness* of the wood and pith of the oak. *Bacon*.

It is built with that unusual *solidness*, that it seems he intended to make a sacrifice to perpetuity, and to contend with the iron teeth of time. *Howell's Fæcal Fæst*.

**SOLIDUS.** *adj.* [*solidus* and *angula*, Latin.] Whole-hoofed.

It is set down by Aristotle and Pliny, that an horse and all *solidangulus* or whole-hoofed animals have no gall, which we find repugnant unto reason. *Brown's Vulgar Errors*.

**SOLIDUS.** *n. f.* [*solidus* and *ides*, Latin.] One who supposes only faith, not works, necessary to justification.

It may be justly feared, that the title of fundamentals, being ordinarily confined to the doctrines of faith, hath occasioned that great scandal in the church of God, at which so many myriads of *solidians* have stumbled, and fallen irreversibly, by conceiving heaven a reward of true opinions. *Hammond*.

**SOLILOQUY.** *n. f.* [*soliloquy*, Fr. *solus* and *loquor*, Lat.] A discourse made by one in solitude to himself.

The whole poem is a *soliloquy*. Solomon is the person that speaks: he is at once the hero and the author; but he tells us very often what others say to him. *Prior*.

He finds no respite from his anxious grief.

Then seeks from his *soliloquy* relief. *Garth's Dispensary*.

If I should own myself in love, you know lovers are always allowed the comfort of *soliloquy*. *Spectator*.

**SOLIPED.** *n. f.* [*solus* and *pes*, Lat.] An animal whose feet are not cloven.

*Solipeds*, or firm footed animals, as horses, asses, and mules, are in mighty number. *Brown's Vulgar Errors*.

**SOLITAIRE.** *n. f.* [*solitaire*, French.]

1. A recluse; a hermit.

Often have I been going to take possession of tranquillity, when your conversation has spoiled me for a *solitaire*. *Pope*.

2. An ornament for the neck.

**SOLITARY.** *adv.* [*from solitary*.] In solitude; with loneliness; without company.

How should that *solitarily* by itself, which hath no substance, but individually the very same whereby others subsist with it. *Howell*.

Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritages, which dwell *solitarily* in the wood. *Mic. vii. 14*.

**SOLITARINESS.** *n. f.* [*from solitary*.] Solitude; seclusion of company; habitual retirement.

There is no cause to blame the prince for sometimes hearing them: the blame-worthiness is, that he hears them he rather goes to *solitariness* than makes them come to company. *Sidney*.

You subject yourself to *solitariness*, the fly enemy that doth most separate a man from well doing. *Sidney*.

At home in whollome *solitariness*,

My piteous foul began the wretchedness

Of fustlers at the court to mourn. *Dante*.

**SOLITARY.** *adj.* [*solitarius*, French; *solitarius*, Latin.]

1. Living alone; not having company.

Those rare and *solitary*, these in flocks. *Milton*.

Satan explores his *solitary* flight.

Him fair Lavinia

Shall breed in groves to lead a *solitary* life. *Dryden's En.*

2. Retired; remote from company.

In respect that it is *solitary*, I like it very well; but in respect that it is private, it is a very vile life. *Shakspeare*.

3. Gloomy; dismal.

Let that night be *solitary*, let no joyful voice come therein: *Job*.

4. Single.

Nor did a *solitary* vengeance serve: the cutting off one head is not enough; the eldest son must be involved. *K. Charles*.

Relations alternately relieve each other; their mutual concurrences supporting their *solitary* infirmities. *Brown*.

**SOLITARY.** *n. f.* [*from the adjective*.] One that lives alone; an hermit.

You describe so well your heremital state of life, that none of the ancient anchorites could go beyond you, for a cave, with a spring, or any of the accommodations that befit a *solitary*. *Pope's Letters*.

**SOLITUDE.** *n. f.* [*solitudo*, French; *solitudo*, Latin.]

1. Lonely life; state of being alone.

It had been hard to have put more truth and untruth together, in few words, than in that speech; whosoever is delighted with *solitude*, is either a wild beast or a god. *Bacon*.

2. Solitude; state of being alone.

But never find self-satisfying *solitude*. *Milton's A. onistes*.

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What call'st thou *solitude*? Is not the earth

With various living creatures, and the air,

Replenish'd, and all these at thy command

To come, and play before thee? *Milton's Paradise Lost*.

Such only can enjoy the country who are capable of thinking when they are there: then they are prepared for *solitude*, and in that *solitude* is prepared for them. *Dryden*.

2. A lonely place; a desert.

**SOLLAR.** *n. f.* [*solarius*, low Latin.] A parrot.

Some thickly diech their hops on a *sol*,  
And some on a *sol*, oft turning them wel. *Tusser*.

**SOLLO.** *n. f.* [*Italian*.] A tune played by a single instrument.

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## SOM

With hope and fear

The woman did the new *solution* hear;

The man diffides in his own augury,

And doubts. *Dryden*.

This will instruct you to give a plainer *solution* of any difficulties that may attend the theme, and refute objections. *Watts*.

**SOLUTIVE.** *adj.* [*from solve*, Latin.] Laxative; causing relaxation.

Though it would not be so absterfve, opening, and *solutive* as mead, yet it will be more lenitive in sharp distals. *Bacon*.

**SOMATOLOGY.** *n. f.* [*sōma* and *logos*.] The doctrine of bodies.

**SOME.** A termination of many adjectives, which denote quality or property of any thing. It is generally joined with a substantive: as *game some*. [*Jaam*, Dutch.]

**SOME.** *adj.* [*from, sum, Saxon; sum, Gothick; sum, Germ.*]

*some*, Danish; *some*, Saxon; *some*, Dutch.]

1. More or less, noting an indeterminate quantity.

We landed *some* hundred men, where we found *some* fresh water. *Raleigh*.

2. More or fewer, noting an indeterminate number.

Let me leave *some* of the folk that are with me. *Gen. xxx*